

SUPPLEMENTARY REEL

RE-TAKES OF MISSING AND BLURRED PAGES

**"Kansas Synod Minutes" 1868-1918**

Pages 12 & 13 of 1906  
Pages 78 & 79 of 1916

**"Kansas Synod Minutes" 1919-1954**

Pages 25 & 26 of 1925  
Year 1927 (probably were none - 1926  
is called 46th ann. conv.  
and 1928 is called 47th.)  
Pages 20 & 21 of 1933  
Page 77 of 1933

**"Minutes of the Nebraska Synod of  
the Lutheran Church" 1876-1922**

Pages 19 & 20 of 1876  
None for 1880 First Page  
Pages 14 & 15 of 1892  
" 34 & 35 of 1888  
" 42 & 43 of 1917  
" 56 & 57 of 1919

**"Minutes of the Deutsch Evang.-Luth.  
Synode von Nebraska" 1905-1947**

Pages 49, 50, 51 & 52 of 1905  
" 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11 of 1923  
" 8 & 9 of 1929  
" 38 & 39 of 1938  
" 12 & 13 of 1939  
" 16 & 17 of 1939  
" 6 & 7 of 1940

The editor found the material so scant that he thought best to take ample time for securing adequate data.

He has gone through all the files of minutes, reports, the Missionary Journal and the Lutheran Observer, from 1855 to the present time, securing much data about the Kansas churches.

This took a great deal of time. Besides, hundreds of letters have been written to former pastors for data. With the exception of statistical tables, the manuscript is now practically complete and is on exhibition for correction and suggestion.

The manuscript will be given to the printer as soon as it is revised and condensed to suit the capacity of the book. We would report an expense for postage, expressage, and two trips to Atchison of four dollars and ten cents.

H. A. OTT,  
J. B. McAFEE,  
R. B. WOLF,  
H. L. YARGER,  
E. E. STAUFFER,

The report was adopted and the item of expense referred to the Committee on Claims.

**Report of the Committee on Endowment of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary.**

The first annual installment of the Synod's pledge of \$1,500 on the endowment of the President's Chair of the Western Theological Seminary is \$166.30, which is but 66½ per cent. of the apportionment of \$249.90.

The apportionment of 7 cents per member will not be within 25 per cent. sufficient to pay the pledge of \$1,500 within five years as the Synod agreed, even if all the churches were to pay the apportionment in full each year.

But the effort is a most worthy one and should have the hearty support of our entire membership.

Our educational work is of first importance and must have more than a meagre and half-hearted support.

Respectfully submitted,  
FULLER BERGSTRESSER,  
E. E. STAUFFER,  
J. H. BERLIN.

Adopted.

By motion the order of business for the time immediately following the report from the Trustee and President of



*Minutes of Conference*—Rev. C. W. Sifferd, D.D., Rev. F. R. Shirck, Dr. A. J. May.

*Representative to the W. H. and F. M. Society*—Rev. B. R. Lantz.

*Resolutions*—Rev. A. B. Schrader, Rev. A. M. Reitzel, Mr. J. B. Wherfel.

*Vacant Congregations*—Rev. F. D. Altman, D.D., Rev. H. H. Hall, D.D., Mr. B. D. Zimmerman.

*Claims*—Rev. C. F. Wiest, Rev. J. F. Cressler, Mr. J. H. Reitzel.

*Temperance*—Rev. I. B. Heisey, Rev. J. B. McAfee, Mr. G. A. Ricklefs.

*Admission of New Churches*—Rev. A. E. Renn, Rev. E. E. Stauffer.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Dr. J. E. Tressler.

## SECOND BUSINESS SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 2 p. m.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. F. S. Delo.

Minutes read and approved.

The President read a communication from the Effingham and Valley Falls pastorate. By motion the President referred the matter to the following committee: Rev. A. E. Renn, Mr. J. A. Wible, and Rev. J. A. M. Ziegler, D.D.

The hour for the special order having arrived verbal reports were given from the various pastorates.

Many of these reports were encouraging.

A communication relative to a division of the New Cambria pastorate was referred to the following committee: Rev. H. L. Yarger, D.D., Rev. C. W. Sifferd, D.D., and Mr. C. J. Eriksen.

### **Report of the Committee on the History of Kansas Synod.**

Your committee appointed to prepare a history of Kansas Synod and have the same published, would report that they have not been able to complete the manuscript before the convention of Synod.

Myrtle Smith, Mrs. John Halderman, Miss Mary Brays,  
Mrs. M. L. Myers.

*Resolutions*—Mrs. A. G. Bond, Mrs. D. W. Crouse,  
Mrs. A. B. Shrader, Mrs. Paul Mennenoeh, Miss Grace  
Jones, Mrs. Hattie Brown, Miss Marion McAfee.

*Claims*—Mrs. H. Herchenroder, Mrs. Caroline Olsen,  
Mrs. Thos. Frack, Mrs. J. A. Koser.

### REPORT OF THANK-OFFERING SECRETARY.

With strengthened faith in the righteousness and ultimate triumph of missions, and devout loyalty to our omnipotent leader who has promised that "righteousness shall cover the earth as the waters cover the seas," we have come to this, our thirty-sixth annual convention of the Kansas Synodical Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

We have left our homes and home cares for just a little while, to talk over and renew the work done in the past year, and I trust for no other motive than the advancement of Christ's Kingdom and to reconsecrate our lives to the cause that lies so near our hearts, as well as to try to fulfill one of the last commands which fell from the lips of Him who died for all: "Go ye into all the world."

The thank-offering for the past year was \$453.44, an increase of but little over \$10.00 over the previous year. Again let us set our goal for the present year at \$500.00, and I feel sure the good women will reach it this year.

Letters written during the year.....	40
Letters received during the year.....	10
Reports received during the year.....	6
Money received from treasurer.....	\$3.00
Expended for tracts, cards, stationery and stamps.....	1.90
Balance .....	\$1.10

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. NANNIE J. GEORGE,  
Thank-offering Secretary.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. A. B. Shrader in this memorial service.

Solo, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," was sung by Miss Marion McAfee.

Dr. R. B. Peery addressed the convention in behalf of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary.

Benediction by Rev. J. A. Koser.

Adjourned.

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## SECOND SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Mrs. R. B. Lantz.

Solo, "You Asked Me How I Gave My Heart to Christ," was sung by Miss Frances Dysinger.

Roll called and minutes of previous session read and approved.

Following reporters and committees were appointed:

*Lutheran Church Work and Observer*—Mrs. O. J. Peters.

*Lutheran Woman's Work*—Mrs. C. F. Shultz.

*President's Report*—Mrs. C. G. Stacy, Miss Sophia Zimmerman, Mrs. J. H. Ulsh, Mrs. I. F. Eberhart, Mrs. S. S. Smith, Mrs. L. T. Bang, Miss Dora Liggett.

*Officers' Reports*—Miss M. Margaret Miller, Mrs. R. L. Patterson, Miss Frances Dysinger.

*Letters and Papers*—Mrs. R. B. Lantz, Mrs. Martha Elliott, Miss Hattie Overmiller, Mrs. G. I. Thacher.

*Department Secretaries' Reports*—Mrs. L. C. Schindel, Mrs. A. B. Carter, Mrs. A. F. Albers, Miss Elsie Paulsen, Miss Maud Bryan, Mrs. J. E. Gall.

*Standing Committees' Reports*—Mrs. B. F. Pugh, Miss



The Board is distributing approximately \$65,000 annually to 24 institutions, which in all cases is applied to current expenses. During the biennium their remittances to our own Midland College amounted to \$24,163. This Board reported that ten eastern Synods were co-operating to establish a Lutheran college for women, which they hope to be able to present to the church at the next general convention.

#### BENEVOLENCE.

Memorials were received from seven Synods concerning the basis of apportionment, thus manifesting the interest centering in this department of the work of the Church. Five of these memorials were from Synods west of the Ohio River. Action on these memorials were referred to a special committee, to be named by the Executive Board, which shall study this problem as above indicated and furnish a report to the Synods to be held in 1925, if possible.

It was also recommended "that each of the Synods be requested to prepare annually a budget which shall include all payments to be made by it; and that money received for the joint budgets of Synod and the United Lutheran Church be proportionately divided between them.

The budget adopted for the years 1926 and 1927 called for the following amounts: Foreign Missions, \$600,000; Home Missions and Church Extension, \$538,000; Northwestern Missions, \$75,000; Immigrants Missions, \$52,000; West Indies Missions, \$77,000; Jewish Missions, \$19,000; Education, \$175,000; Parish and Church School, \$17,000; Inner Missions, \$25,000; Ministerial Relief, \$235,000; Deaconess Work, \$42,000; National Home for the Aged, \$20,000; Tabitha Home, \$13,000; Lowman Home, \$4,000; National Lutheran Council, \$23,000; American Bible Society, \$5,000; United Lutheran Church Treasury, \$80,000; making a grand total of \$2,000,000. Of this amount the Kansas Synod is asked to contribute \$21,311. As an aid in securing a satisfactory response to this budget the Every Member Canvass is strongly urged upon every congregation which is not now using this method.

Under this heading would also come the recommendation of the Laymen's Movement Committee that the month of November be considered stewardship month, during which time stewardship should be emphasized "through sermons; through the Sunday School; instruction and discussion and specially organized discussion groups; through the young people's organizations by pageants, playlets and study groups; in the women's organizations, through the presentation of topic studies and discussions; in the Brotherhood, and through the distribution of suitable literature."

The Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief received permission to mark the tenth anniversary of the United Lutheran Church by a campaign throughout the Church for a \$3,000,000 endowment. This campaign is to be conducted during 1927-1928.

From the abundance of interesting and valuable matter these are all that your delegation wishes to bring before you at this time. Other items will be presented to you by special committees. We are glad to state that the work of the Kansas Synod ranked high when compared with that reported from other parts of the church, and we would urge that this Synod be never content to take other than the most advanced position in striving to fulfill the great commis-

sions have become self-supporting. The Board is now reaching out to Alaska and the prairie provinces of Canada, and giving special attention to Texas, Florida, North Carolina and the great cities.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Encouraging advancement in every field was the report of the Board of Foreign Missions, with a growing interest manifested from the home field. The cry for help from far off lands grows more insistent with every passing year. The Church dare not ignore the Master's great commission, or it will lose its right to the promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Two items of special interest were the establishment of the Andhra Christian College in India and the purchase of the Shantung Mission in China from the Berlin Mission Society. The college is to be organized in connection with the proposed Andhra University, soon to be established, and is to be a first-grade college conducted in the Telugu area under Christian auspices, to develop leadership by those connected with the Christian Church. There are more than 600,000 baptized Christians in India, but their influence is small because of the fact that very few of them possess the training necessary for leadership. Andhra College is to be a union college under a Board of Directors, a majority of whom are always to be members of the United Lutheran Church. The doctrinal basis of the college is to be in harmony with the Washington Declaration of the United Lutheran Church.

The Shantung mission has been organized since 1898, and has prospered under the direction of the Berlin Mission Society. Financial conditions growing out of the war have made it necessary for this Society to relinquish the work. Our Foreign Missions Board has purchased the property from them for the sum of \$185,500. It consists of three main stations and thirty-one out stations. Rev. J. F. Krueger, D. D., Ph. D., has been placed in charge and is already on the field.

These new enterprises, as well as the work which has long been under the direction of this Board, call for liberal support from our Churches. We are proud of the manner in which God has honored our past service by giving us these enlarged opportunities. Who shall sound a note of retreat? If the maintenance of our foreign work calls for sacrifice shall we not give it?

The finances of the Board show a slight improvement over the previous biennium, the amount of disbursements having been \$1,642,466. The Board asks a larger response to its patron and protegee plan. Fifty-two missionaries are supported by individual congregations in America, and it seems that many more congregations could assume the same task. Two young men from India, fruits of our missionary endeavors there, addressed the convention, and were received with great enthusiasm.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The work of this Board is not limited to collecting and distributing funds for our established colleges, but its activities take in a large field. It conducts a department of work for women students, a department of religious work in State Universities, a department of recruiting for the ministry and a department of institutions. The secretaries of these departments visit the colleges and universities all over the land, and render an immeasurable service to our young people who are there preparing for their life work.

Dr. Stauffer was elected Director of Religious Education with a committee consisting of Dr. Lantz, Revs. Heisey and Clemens.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The evangelization of the world in this generation. May we as members of the Kansas Synod have the vision and answer the challenge.

We rejoice in the leadings of God throughout the past year. May the many evidences of accomplishment be but the inspiration for still loftier deeds. May our failures spur us on to more abundant prayer and labor.

To the Board of Foreign Missions we pledge our support in the endeavor to raise \$300,000.00 to establish Andhra College in India.

To the congregations we commend a wider circulation of "The Lutheran," so that it may have the opportunity to help create a better informed laity.

Resolved: That we, the Ministers of the Kansas Synod, do heartily endorse the work of the Kansas Anti-Saloon League, and pledge to this organization our moral support. That the President be instructed to appoint two Trustees to serve on this Board.

To Rev. and Mrs. Wolf, the congregation, the Chamber of Commerce, the Lions Club, and to the Choir of the Salina Church, as well as the editors of the local papers, we extend our thanks for all courtesies and every effort to make the meeting of Synod pleasant and profitable.

Respectfully submitted,  
PAUL MENNENOE,  
A. J. BEIL,  
L. E. THOMPSON.

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The report of the Committee on President's Report was read and adopted.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your Committee on President's Report to whom also has been referred the Report of the Executive Committees, reports as follows:

1. We commend the President for his fidelity in office and regret exceedingly his inability to be present at this session of Synod, and speak for him a speedy recovery of health.

2. We specially commend the Executive Committee for the innovation of having all reports printed in pamphlet form, and recommend the adoption of items 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 11, and 12, of their printed report.

Respectfully submitted,  
CLARENCE E. GARDNER.

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A proposed amendment to the Constitution embodying the change recommended in the fourth item of the Executive Committee Report and signed by Revs. D. L. McConnell, J. J. Clemens, E. C. Nielsen, E. H. Gilmer, and A. L. Groseclose was presented.



sion of our Lord that soon he "may see the travail of his souls and shall be satisfied."

Submitted for the delegation.

J. A. McCULLOCH.

Synod then proceeded to the election of delegates to the Richmond Convention with the following results:

• *Regular*

*Clerical*

B. R. Lantz, D. D.  
A. L. Groseclose  
G. P. Kabele  
W. E. Wheeler, D. D.

*Lay*

William J. Baurele  
L. T. Bang  
Elwin C. Roby  
W. D. Bishop, M. D.

*Alternates*

E. C. Nielsen  
R. L. Patterson, D. D.  
A. J. Beil  
D. L. McConnell

L. E. Thompson  
C. M. Holmquist  
E. Q. Haggart  
A. Nicholas

The Committee on Ministerial Relief reported nothing done during the year.

The report of the Director of Religious Education was read and adopted.

#### REPORT ON OUR SCHOOLS OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION.

Rev. C. H. B. Lewis, D. D., field secretary of the Parish and Church School Board, visited the territory of our Synod last spring. His time was limited to about ten days, but in that time he gave excellent and helpful service to a number of our churches. Beginning at Hutchinson on April 23rd, he also visited Wellington, Wichita, Peabody, Salina, Atchison and the Kansas City Churches. In accordance with the plan suggested by this department two conferences were held, the first at Peabody on April 27-28 and the Northeast conference at Atchison April 30 and May 1st. Dr. Lewis gave helpful service at both these conferences. Unfortunately the weather and other adverse circumstances prevented a representative attendance at the Southwest conference at Peabody, but the Atchison conference was well attended and was reported as a splendid success.

Last year's report mentioned a survey to be made by Dr. Lewis for the Board in co-operation with Synodical officers. This survey was made at the beginning of the present year. The results were tabulated for the information of the Board and copies are also to be furnished to the Sunday School secretaries of the Synods.

It was not thought best to require another report, at this time from our Sunday School workers. This report must therefore be based on the work of last January and it is therefore incomplete and not up to date.

We get the general impression that there is a tendency to better classification and organization. One school reported last January "Sufficient and efficient teachers." Seven teacher training classes were reported. We have gathered no additional information to what was given in last year's report on our week-day schools of religious education. At the time this report was required the week-day schools had not opened for the present year.

Respectfully submitted,  
I. B. HEISEY.



# PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE SYNOD OF KANSAS AND ADJACENT STATES

January 1, 1932 to December 31, 1932

First—Southern or Wichita Conference

## FINANCIAL

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Church Societies										Congregational Benevolence																			
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the Synod in allowing us the use of this page free of charge. We have endeavored to give news of local interest rather than general news. And we appreciate the hearty co-operation of those so kindly contributing to these columns, and hope their interest and contributions may continue.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. Paul Tonsing.

Announcement was made that Mrs. Magda Jensen, our Synodical Deaconess Secretary, had been invited to teach this summer at the Fremont Assembly.

The following committee reports were given:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE AND DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

We, the Committee on Literature and Department Secretaries work, wish to submit the following:

1. We desire to thank the Literature Chairman for her very excellent work.
2. Let all the Societies give the quarterly Thank Offering plan a trial and see if it will not help this department to show an increase for the coming year.
3. Let us endeavor to explain the Annuity Fund more clearly to our local societies, and secure an increase in this worthy form of investment.
4. The Lace Industry is a worthy work, and let us stress the Lace Day programs in all our churches.
5. Let us acquaint our Young Women with the Deaconess work and stress the urgent need of it.
6. The Mission Study work has made great strides during the past year. Let us continue this interest.
7. We are glad for the continued interest among our Young Women. Let us endeavor to have a Young Women's Society in each of our congregations.
8. Our Magazine has a most important place in our work. Let us strive to gain our lost subscriptions.
9. Let us strive to increase the interest in our Foreign Box and Inner Mission work in our local societies.
10. Let us stress our Student Department more and endeavor to interest our young people in our own church schools.
11. The Patron and Protege Department is a worthy work. Let us stress it more.
12. The Visitation Department has a definite and vital place in our work and we should all give it more attention.
13. The Light Brigades have shown a fine record. As they are our future church and societies let us give them more thought and attention.
14. Let us continue our interest in the Life and In Memoriam Department and work for more 100 per cent Life Member Societies.
15. We recommend that each society endeavor to make the Kugler-Woerner Memorial a success.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mrs. G. E. McReynolds, Chairman,  
Mrs. H. H. Scherer.  
Mrs. H. Christiansen.  
Mrs. W. I. Sondergard.

This report was accepted as read.

She also gave us some wonderful high points of the various messages of the Baltimore convention.

Mrs. Mykland spoke of the beautiful thoughts and impressions that she received on the way and coming home from the General Convention in Baltimore. She mentioned various places she was privileged to visit. After seeing such characters as Margaret Stewart and others, Mrs. Mykland felt that all that had ever been done for Missions was doubly repaid.

The President explained some graphs that describe the work of the General Body. These were sent by Mrs. Frack, who could not be present due to illness in her home.

Mrs. McGuire gave Mrs. Frack's report on Synodical Specials including a special plea for the Kugler-Woerner fund.

Dr. Martin, President of Midland College, gave us a message showing how necessary Christian education is.

The afternoon offering was \$9.

Mrs. Mykland gave such an inspired meditation on "The Call" and "The Task."

We adjourned by all uniting in praying the third prayer of the program.

#### Wednesday, 5:45 P. M.

The ladies all gathered, about 140 in all, in the Y. W. C. A. for the Young Women's Banquet. Miss Helen Fink in charge. Songs helped to liven the dinner, after which we were taken to the auditorium where by the good ship, "Mykland," and the crew of officers we flew for Argentine. When we landed Miss Myrtle Wilke showed us some moving pictures of the work in her field. All delegates were presented with an autographed picture of Miss Wilke's Church in Argentine.

We re-assembled in the auditorium of the church for the evening vesper service conducted by Rev. Stager. We were entertained by the Quivira Choir of Topeka with such lovely music. So inspiring to all present.

Mrs. Mykland introduced Miss Wilke, our special guest, who gave the address of the evening. May God bless Miss Wilke in her work.

The evening offering was \$19.45.

After the closing Missionary Benediction another beautiful service ended.

#### Thursday, 9:00 A. M.

A most impressive devotional service was led by Sister Delphine Dasher, using as her key verse Rom. 10:15, "And how shall they preach except they be sent."

Dr. Gould Wickey, Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, Washington, D. C., addressed us very briefly on the necessity of giving mission instruction in our schools.

Rev. J. J. Raun, Dean of the Western Theological Seminary, impressed on our minds that people have the wrong impression of the Mission Field. They are not crying for the gospel of Jesus Christ, in fact they don't want it; but we know they need it and it is our duty to bring them the saving message.

Mrs. Paul Tonsing gave her report.

#### REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE MISSIONARY PAGE

The Missionary Societies of our Synod including Young Women's Societies and Light Brigades appreciate the kindness of our brethren of

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*Resolved*,—That all monies for benevolent purposes be sent to the Treasurer of Synod, and, by him be applied to the objects for which they were collected.

The Secretary was instructed to make a condensed synopsis of the proceedings of former meetings of this Synod, to have the same printed, together with the Constitution and full proceedings of this session, and to have two hundred copies printed for distribution among our members.

After a vote of thanks to the congregation, whose hospitality Synod had enjoyed during the meeting, the reading and adopting of the minutes, Synod united in prayer with the president, and adjourned to meet at Omaha, on the first Thursday in August, 1876.

J. F. KUHLMAN, Sec.

W. A. LIPE, Pres.

#### MINISTERIAL SESSION.

FRIDAY, Sept. 18, 9:30 o'clock, A. M.

Called to order by the President.

Members present:

W. A. Lipe, Chairman,

J. F. Kuhlman, Sec.

J. G. Groenmiller,

J. Zimmerman,

E. Huber,

S. Aughey.

Rev. Wisswaesser, our licentiate, was requested to remain.

Committee No. 4, to whom were committed the papers of Bro. Wisswaesser, reported favorably and recommended his ordination.

The report, and the item referred to the ministerium from report on President's report, namely, "that Brother Wisswaesser be ordained," were taken into serious consideration. Brother Wisswaesser was admitted to a colloquium, the brethren having satisfied themselves in regard to his qualifications and character, it was

*Resolved*,— That Brother Wisswaesser be ordained Sunday evening.

Adjourned, prayer by Prof. Aughey.

According to resolution, Rev. C. L. Wisswaesser was, on Sunday evening, Sept. 19, after an excellent sermon by Rev. Goodlin, solemnly ordained to the work of the Gospel, by the laying on of hands, the officers of the Synod officiating.

J. F. KUHLMAN, Sec.

W. A. LIPE, Pres.

## PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

## EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

—OF THE—

# Evangelical Lutheran Synod OF NEBRASKA.

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PONCA, Sept. 14th, 1880.

The ministers and lay-delegates forming this convention of Synod met in the Lutheran church of Ponca, G. H. Schnur, Pastor loci, Sept. 14, 1880, at 7:30 p. m. Dr. Baugher, a Lutheran pastor of Omaha and editor of the *Augsburg Teacher*, preached an appropriate course as introductory to the Synod's S. S. Convention, from Matt. 21: 15-17—"Feed my lambs."

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

September 15th, 8:30 a. m.

After an appropriate devotional meeting was had, Rev. J. W. Kimball was chosen chairman and Rev. A. T. Ludwig, secretary of the convention. Rev. J. Zimmer then opened the discussion of the topic, "The Family and the S. S." Rev. J. P. Schnur on "Should We Emphasize Our Distinctive Church Features in the S. S." "Work, Pray, and Give," were illustrated in the presence of a number of S. S. children, and in an instructive and pleasing manner, opened by Rev. J. W. Kimball. All the English speaking pastors of Synod took a part in the convention, and thus the time of the first half day, allotted to the discussions, was well improved and soon passed away.

### MISSIONARY FESTIVAL.

September 15th, 2 p. m.

This afternoon was well occupied in addresses on missionary work, when the brethren, Brodfuhrer, Wolff, Daiss and Spriegel spoke about Home Missions, and Mossner about the Foreign Mission field, all in the German language. A collection of \$6.69 covered these exercises.





FIFTH DAY—FIRST SESSION.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1888, 9 A. M.

Opened with prayer. Minutes read and approved. Special order being the election of Delegates to the next meeting of General Synod, such election was held and resulted as follows:

CLERICAL DELEGATES.

*Primarii.*

- Rev. G. H. Albright, Beatrice.
- " R. Neumaerker, Barada.
- " A. B. Shrader, Grand Island.
- " Adam Stump, North Platte.
- " Ch. Thomsen, Laramie City, Wyo.
- " B. F. Pugh, Rising City.
- " J. C. Jacoby, Nebraska City.

*Secundi.*

- " H. P. Hansen, Denver, Colo.
- " J. W. Kimmel, McCook.
- " G. H. Schnur, Sr., Omaha.
- " J. S. Detweiler, Omaha.
- " J. G. Griffith, Auburn.
- " C. Huber, Omaha.
- " L. L. Lipe, West Point.

LAY DELEGATES.

*Primarii.*

- J. F. Wilhelmy, Omaha.
- John Miller, Rising City.
- H. Sprick, Fontanelle.
- L. F. M. Easterday, Lincoln.
- Adam Ickes, Sidney.
- Wm. Ebright, Beatrice.
- G. Duerfeldt, Barada.

*Secundi.*

- A. Bearresen, Denver.
- Aug. Kountze, Omaha.
- W. A. Heimberger, Grand Island.

## FOURTH DAY—SECOND SESSION.

1:30 P. M.

Opened with prayer.

Minutes read and approved.

Committee on Traveling Secretary continued their report.

Adopted item by item and as a whole.

Time for preparatory services having arrived, Synod adjourned with prayer.

## EVENING SERVICES.

The subject of Home Missions was presented by Rev. S. B. Barnitz, Western Secretary Board of Home Missions.

Collection, \$9.55.

## SUNDAY SERVICES.

## LUTHERAN.

*Morning*.—Rev. S. W. Harkey, D. D.

*Evening*.—Rev. C. Huber, and Dr. Harkey.

## CONGREGATIONAL.

*Morning*.—Rev. A. Stump.

*Evening*.—Rev. S. E. Smith.

## METHODIST.

*Morning*.—Rev. J. C. Jacoby.

*Evening*.—Rev. G. H. Schnur, Jr.

## LUTHERAN CHURCH, SURPRISE, NEB.

*Morning*.—Rev. J. N. Lenker.

*Resolved*, That we heartily approve the action of the General Synod in appointing such a committee, believing that there is a great need of such a Development, and that this need should be supplied by the General Synod.

*Resolved*, That we approve in the main of the work now submitted to the Church by the General Synod's Committee, but that in our judgment it has not yet reached such a degree of perfection as is desirable in a Catechism which is to be published by authority, and with the endorsement of the General Synod, and which it is hoped will be used for generations to come as a text-book for catechumens.

*Resolved*, That we therefore recommend to the General Synod the continuance of the Committee on the Development of Luther's Catechism, with the addition of three active pastors, and that this committee be instructed to again carefully review the entire work, and then publish another provisional edition including the proof-texts printed in full, and send the same to our ministers and Synods for examination.

*Resolved*, That the District Synods should again be requested to take action on said publication, and report to the succeeding General Synod, and that in our judgment no final publication should be made until the work has received the endorsement of at least two-thirds of the District Synods, and has been approved by at least a two-thirds vote of the General Synod.

*Resolved*, That when finally issued, those parts of the text quoted directly from Luther's Catechism should, in our judgment, be clearly indicated by being printed in different type, and we believe also that it would be well to insert in the book the complete text of Luther's Smaller Catechism without any note or comment.

*Resolved*, That our delegates to the next General Synod be instructed to present this action to that body, and that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to forward an official copy of the same to the committee of the General Synod.

JACOB A. CLUTZ,  
J. S. DETWEILER,  
W. F. EYSTER.

### **Report of Committee on Systematic Benevolence.**

Your Committee on Systematic Benevolence would report that with the exception of issuing an address through the columns of the report of Committee on Traveling Secretary, scarcely anything has been done.

They recommend that the committee be empowered to prepare a circular letter on systematic giving, to be sent to pastors of Synod for circulation among the members of their churches; that they be empowered also to provide envelopes suitable for the offerings to be made for the different benevolent objects of Synod; and that they also be instructed to do everything possible to increase the benevolent offerings of our churches. It is authorized to draw on the Treasurer of Synod for an amount to cover the expenses of printing and mailing literature upon the subject of Bible-giving.

LUTHER M. KUHN,  
A. J. TURKLE.



churches is evident from the large sale reached by several of those prepared and published by individuals, the one by Dr. Morris having reached the 20th edition ten years ago, and the one by Dr. Conrad being now in the 24th thousand. It seems eminently desirable also that this need and demand should be met and supplied by a publication prepared under the direction of the General Synod itself, and approved by it, in order that there might be as great uniformity as possible in the instruction of our youth in the doctrines and faith of our Church.

The Committee of the General Synod have evidently done their work conscientiously and with painstaking care, and the result is highly creditable alike to them and to the Church. We regard this "Development" as now offered, superior in many respects to any other before the Church. The arrangement and proportion of parts are logical and symmetrical. The statements of truth and development of doctrine we regard as not only Scriptural, but soundly Lutheran, and in full accord with the doctrinal and confessional basis of the General Synod. The answers to the questions are, for the most part, brief and expressed in simple terms. We are pleased also to find them nearly all cast in the form of complete propositions, which may be easily learned and retained by the catechumens, and which being so learned will furnish them with complete definitions of the truth without the questions. We regard this feature as of great value.

There are, however, in our judgment, still some defects which can, and should, be remedied before the work is finally approved by the General Synod and given to the Church by its authority. There are occasional infelicities of expression, ambiguous terms, and an unnecessary expansion or emphasis of points in reference to which there is considerable difference of opinion in the General Synod and among Lutheran theologians generally.

It may not be possible to prepare a Catechism which will be universally acceptable, but time should be taken, and no pains spared to correct or remove all features to which reasonable objection may be made, and to make the work as nearly perfect as possible. Even if it should require another decade of years to accomplish this, we would regard it time and labor well spent in order to reach so desirable a result as the possession and publication by the General Synod of a Catechism which should be generally satisfactory to our pastors and people. In order to attain this end it is our judgment that the Committee of the General Synod be continued at least another biennium, with the addition, perhaps, of several more active pastors, said committee to take note of all criticisms and suggestions coming from the several Synods or from competent individuals, and then again carefully revise their work and submit the result to the Church for examination.

We therefore suggest that the following action be taken by the Synod and reported to the next General Synod by our delegation:

WHEREAS, The General Synod has requested the District Synods to take action on the "Development of Luther's Smaller Catechism," prepared by a committee of that body; therefore,

1. That a permanent conference of the Western Synods be organized composed of the Wartburg, Iowa, Rocky Mountain, German Nebraska, Nebraska and Kansas Synods.

2. That this conference meet annually.

3. That the place of meeting be decided at each annual session.

4. That the Executive Committee be composed of seven members, one from each Synod and that the President be ex-officio member of the committee, which committee to have power to appoint the necessary committees to arrange all matters for such a conference.

5. That the officers be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. T. KAHSE.

The Report of the Committee to investigate the Falls City Hospital, was read, and adopted, as follows:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE FALLS CITY HOSPITAL.**

We give this committee from Falls City our moral encouragement and the privilege of organizing a Lutheran Hospital Association, with the understanding that the finances are to be raised on the territory within a radius of 60 miles from Falls City and that there shall be no financial responsibility to devolve on this Synod.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. de Freese.

**EVENING SERVICE.**

Friday, October 12, 8:00 P. M.

The evening service was under the direction of the Layman's Missionary Committee, and was addressed by Mr. C. H. Weller, of the Layman's Missionary Movement.

**FIFTH SESSION.**

Saturday, October 13, 9:00 A. M.

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. J. H. Fetterolf.

Meeting was called to order by the President, and opened with prayer by Rev. R. W. Livers.

Roll Cal.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and corrected.

**REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

Your representative would report that he attended the sessions of the Advisory Council of Home Missions and Church Extension held in the LaSalle Hotel, June 19, 1917. It is known that this conference was held in accordance with the plan of the Board to hold one of its annual meetings in conjunction with the meeting of the General Synod.

In a carefully planned program various topics of vital interest to this work of the church were considered and out of a comparison of views the new plan of operation was more carefully wrought out. We were given a view of the way they do missionary work in this metropolis. The way was felt out toward a more real budget system. One paper put the proper emphasis upon the necessity of pastoral calling. The success of the new plan as thus far realized causes us to feel that such conferences are giving our church what she has so long needed in her missionary endeavor.

L. J. POWELL,  
Synodical Representative.

The Report of the Committee on Vacancies was read, and adopted, as follows:

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VACANCIES.**

Your committee finds the following vacancies of Synod: Auburn, Benson, Homer-Hubbard, Oakland, Pawnee Zion, Ponca, Tekamah, Paxton-Sutherland, Oshkosh-Lewellen Waverly. A number of these congregations are in communication with prospective pastors and we would urge that the President of Synod, together with the Missionary Superintendent, look after all of these vacancies and as much as possible assist in securing suitable men for these congregations.

W. T. KAHSE,  
E. W. DOERING.

The Report of the Delegate to the Western Missionary Conference was read, and adopted, as follows:

**REPORT OF DELEGATE TO WESTERN MISSIONARY CONFERENCE.**

Your delegate to the Western Missionary Conference held at Midland College, Atchison, last June, would report that he was privileged to attend said conference. The greater part of the program was given over to the Quadri-Centennial Celebration and the entire meeting proved a great inspiration and real help. In order to stimulate the missionary activity of our church and in particular to cultivate and direct her talents and possibilities the committee in charge prepared the following plan which was approved by the conference and now is submitted to you:



**EXHIBIT W.****REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SOUTH PLATTE  
CONFERENCE.**

Your Committee would report that they have carefully gone over the minutes of the South Platte Conference and find nothing therein that requires the attention of the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. FETTEROLF.

**EXHIBIT W-1.****REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S  
SOCIETIES.**

The Report is not as thorough as the Synod would possibly desire. The excuse for not being able to make a more definite report is due to the fact that the Secretary is also Superintendent of Falls City Lutheran Hospital and this latter position has given him so much extra work that he found himself unable to meet the requirements of the Young People's Societies.

However, one fact we would like to state and that is that the Luther Leagues of the State of Nebraska have apportioned themselves with the sum of \$5.00 each for the benefit of Falls City Lutheran Hospital. We recommend that an efficient worker interested in Young People's Societies be appointed at this Session to succeed Rev. J. Matthiesen as Secretary of the Young People's Societies.

Respectfully submitted,

J. MATTHIESEN.

**EXHIBIT Y.****REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES AND ABSENTEES.**

The Committee on Excuses and Absentees recommends that the following Pastors be excused for the entire Session of the Synod:

Father J. F. Kuhlman.

Dr. Groh.

Rev. S. L. Keller.

Rev. A. B. Schrader.

Dr. Eyster.

Dr. Ries.

Rev. L. L. Lipe.

for the past year, hereby wish to commend the carefulness which it manifests in all the work of the Synod and the diligence with which he has devoted himself to the Synod's interests.

We find in his Report under the Head of Recommendations several items upon which your Committee would recommend the following action:

1st: That item one, respecting the endorsement of the Lutheran, the official paper of the United Lutheran Church in America, be adopted.

2nd: That item two regarding the Every Member Canvass in November be adopted.

3rd: With regard to item three, we recommend that Synod endorse the proposition of the United Lutheran Church for the holding of an Annual Conference of District Synodical Presidents and authorize the Treasurer of our Synod hereby to pay this Synod's share of the expenses in holding such Conference.

4th: Regarding item four we recommend that the authority creating this Committee be expected to devise means of meeting the expenses of said Committee.

5th: Regarding item five we recommend that this Synod hereby ratifies the proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the General Synod submitted last year. See page 42 of last year's minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. RANGELER.

#### EXHIBIT V.

##### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS.

Communications in the hands of your Committee call the attention of Synod to the following:

1st: The appointment of the Committee on Constituent Synods. Matters which Synods may wish to refer to the Executive Board of the United Church must pass through this channel. Rev. H. A. Weller, D. D., is the Chairman of this Committee.

2nd: The disposition of the maintenance of Tabitha Home until the next session of the United Lutheran Church.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH W. LIVERS,

E. BOLLMAN,

R. A. WHITE,

M. E. BOLLINGER,

W. W. FRANKFORT.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF NEBRASKA-SYNOD.—Continued.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.										BENEVOLENCE.													
Index Number.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Contribu'ts		Number of Members, Including Juniors.	Contribu'ts		General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Woman's Missionary Society.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconesses Board.	Home for the Aged.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
				For support of School and Local Objects.	For Benevolence.		For Local Objects.	For Benevolence.															
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23	1	6	66	.....	.....	36	10 135 00	.....	.....	.....	26 55	17 80	12 80	16 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	12 12	87 87	1,714 72
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25	1	6	50	17 76	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	9 28	7 00	.....	6 00	5 90	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	37 16	52 75
26	1	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	5 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	12 00	5 00	.....	3 00	8 00	3 00	.....	33 00	97 50	567 50





PAROCHIAL REPORT OF NEBRASKA-SYNOD.—Continued.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				V. P. SOCIETIES.				BENEVOLENCE.														Grand Total			
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		For Support of School and Local Objects.	For Benevolence.		For Local Objects.	For Benevolence.																			
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28	1	10	65	55 00	46 00	...	...	...	...	11 65	31 52	15 50	57 50	7 00	45 00	30 00	45 00	8 00	40 90	14 60	...	...	69 00	375 67	1,552 67
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32	1	4	25	10 00	...	...	...	...	...	7 12	5 00	103 00	107 00	2 00	6 00	2 39	...	3 00	3 70	2 50	2 00	2 00	72 00	315 71	465 71
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# PAROCHIAL REPORT OF NEBRASKA-SYNOD.

PASTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS.	CONGREGATIONS. NAMES OF	PAROCHIAL.															Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.				
		Losses										Accessions.						Finances.			
		Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for the Ministry.	Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Other Losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communion Membership.	Baptized but Unconfirmed Membership.		Total Membership.	Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for All Objects.
G. Endrulat, Greenleaf, Kan.....	Ev Luth. St. Johannes Gemeinde.....	1	1						2					110	60	170	\$ 2,500 00			\$ 400 00 27	
Karl Klingner, Hanover, Kan.....	Deutsche Ev. Luth. Gemeinde.....	1	1			11	3	9	22		9	7		212	106	318	6,000 00			1 122 00 28	
Hermann Wegner, Hartford, S. Dak.....	Ev. Luth. Christus Gemeinde.....	1	1				1		4					75	45	120	3,800 00	550 00		338 30 29	
Immanuel Duehrkop, Hartford, S. Dakota.....	Ev. Luth. Zions Gemeinde bei Wall Lake.....	1	1			18	1		13		12	2		148	130	278	5,000 00			810 48 30	
W. Kronsbein, Hastings, Neb.....	Ev. Luth. St. Paulus Gemeinde.....	1	1			9	1	1	10		5			84		84	4,000 00			850 00 31	
H. Siekmann, Hastings, Neb.....	Ev. Luth. St. Paulus Gemeinde South Hastings.....	1	1			7	2		8		7			42	75	117	1,300 00	200 01		170 00 32	
F. W. Gretzier, Hildreth, Franklin Co., Neb.....	Deutsche Ev. Luth. St. Petri Gemeinde in Friedens Gemeinde in Homestead.....	1	1			6	1	5	13		6	26		128	109	237	2,200 00			1,025 00 33	
H. W. Fricke, Home, Kan.....	Zions Gemeinde, Hooper Salons Gem Logan Creek Dreieinigkeits.....	2	2			14			16		20		1	80	20	100	5,000 00			500 00 34	
Ernst Walter, Hooper, Neb.....	Salons Gem Logan Creek Dreieinigkeits.....	2	2			16	3		22		16			160	200	360	3,600 00			875 00 35	
H. Wellhausen, Howells, Colfax Co., Neb.....	St. Petri.....	3	3			5	2		4		5			137	70	207	7,700 00	2,000 00		900 00 36	
D. Didlauckes, Humboldt, Minnehaha Co., Neb.....	Immanuel's Ev. Luth. St. Paulus Gemeinde.....	1	1				9	1	8					72	55	127	3,300 00			500 00 37	
Friedrich Gensichen, Leigh, Colfax Co., Neb.....	Ev. Luth. St. Paulus Gem. in Platte u. Colfax Co. Bethlehems, Dry Creek, Neb.....	1	1			25	1		26		16			220	120	340	6,000 00			600 00 38	
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PASTOR'S NAME AND ADDRESS.	CONGREGATIONS. NAMES OF	PAROCHIAL.														FINANCES.		Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.			
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						Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Other Losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.						Restoration.	Communion Membership.	Baptized but Unconfirmed Membership.
H. Wiemken, Lanham, Gage Co., Neb.	Ev. Luth. St. Johannis Gemeinde.	1	1	1	1	14	2	..	31	7	26	..	..	154	134	288	\$ 2,500 00	..	\$ 470 00	40	
Ernst Pfeiffer, Madison, Neb.	Ev. Luth. Emanuel's Gemeinde.	1	1	1	1	18	1	5	10	20	..	..	..	92	30	122	2,000 00	300 00	540 00	41	
J. H. Dirks, South Auburn, Nemaha Co., Neb.	Ev. Luth. St. Johannes Gemeinde.	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	150	90	240	10,000 00	..	1,150 00	42	
Friedr. Wupper, Hooper, Dodge Co., Neb.	Ev. Luth. St. Paulus Gemeinde.	1	2	1	1	12	4	..	20	8	..	..	..	200	120	320	10,000 00	..	900 00	43	
	Ev. Luth. St. Pauls Gemeinde bei Oakland, Neb.	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	25	20	45	2,400 00	..	100 00	44	
Fr. Spritzel, Nehawka, R. R. No. 11, Cass Co., Neb.	Ev. Luth. St. Lucas Gemeinde v. Eight Mile Grove (gehört nicht zur Syn.).	2	1	1	1	2	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	42	28	70	2,000 00	..	300 00	45	
	Ev. Luth. St. Johannis Gemeinde.	1	1	1	1	..	2	..	12	..	..	..	..	56	45	141	2,500 00	..	370 00	46	
H. Wolpert, Norfolk, Neb.	Ev. Luth. St. Johannis Gemeinde in Stanton (noch nicht organisiert).	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	6	3	6	..	..	50	20	70	1,000 00	300 00	500 00	47	
	Filiale in Stanton (noch nicht organisiert).	1	1	1	1	7	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48	
Otto Klatt, Ohlawa, Neb.	Ev. Luth. St. Johannis Gemeinde.	1	1	1	1	12	1	..	10	12	..	..	..	100	100	200	4,000 00	..	1,100 00	49	
M. Kossick, Onlawa, Fillmore Co., Neb.	Ev. Luth. St. Johannes Gemeinde.	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	14	3	..	..	..	86	63	149	6,500 00	..	550 00	50	
Fritz Fuerst, Pender, Neb.	St. Petri.	2	..	20	6	..	..	..	28	14	..	..	..	7	243	368	612	6,500 00	..	900 00	51
Aug. Bahr, Pierce, Neb.	Ev. Luth. Christus Gemeinde.	1	1	25	2	1	3	..	14	19	..	..	..	3	60	40	100	2,700 00	400 00	950 50	52

# Verzeichniß der Gemeinden.

Parochie	Gemeinde	Ort
1 Auburn, Neb. ....	St. Petrus* ....	Auburn, Neb.
2 Auburn, Neb. ....	St. Johannes ...	Bei Auburn, Neb.
3 Barada, Neb. ....	St. Petrus* ....	Bei Falls City, Neb.
4 Bennington, Neb. ...	St. Johannes ...	Bennington, Neb.
5 Bird City, Kans. ....	Grace Eng. Luth*	Bird City, Kans.
6 Bloomfield, Neb. ....	Dreifaltigkeit ...	Bloomfield, Neb.
7 Bluehill, Neb. ....	St. Paulus ....	Blue Hill, Neb.
8 Campbell, Neb. ....	Christus* ....	Campbell, Neb.
9 Cedar Creek, Neb. ...	Christus ....	Cedar Creek, Neb.
10 Clarks, Neb. ....	St. Petrus* ....	Clarks, Neb.
11 Columbus, Neb. ....	Ev. Prot. ....	Columbus, Neb.
12 Shell Creek, Neb. ...	St. Johannes* ..	Bei Columbus, Neb.
13 Diller, Neb. ....	St. Paulus ....	Diller, Neb.
14 Diller, Neb. ....	Zion . ....	Bei Diller, Neb.
15 Dorrance, Kans. ....	Immanuel . ....	Dorrance, Kans.
16 Doniphan, Neb. ....	St. Paulus* ....	Doniphan, Neb.
17 East La Junta, Colo..	St. Paulus* ....	East La Junta, Colo.
18 Emerald, Neb. ....	Zion . ....	Bei Emerald, Neb.
19 Emerson, Neb. ....	St. Paulus ....	Emerson, Neb.
20 Falls City, Neb. ....	St. Johannes ...	Bei Falls City, Neb.
21 Fontanelle, Neb. ....	a) Salem* . ....	Fontanelle, Neb.
22 Fontanelle, Neb. ....	b) St. Johannes* ..	Vacoma, Neb.
23 Glasco, Kans. ....	St. Paulus* ....	Glasco, Kans.
24 Glenvil, Neb. ....	St. Paulus ....	Bei Glenvil, Neb.
25 Gothenburg, Neb. ....	Zion* . ....	Bei Gothenburg, Neb.
26 Grand Island, Neb. ...	a) St. Paulus* ....	Grand Island, Neb.
27 Grand Island, Neb. ...	b) St. Johannes ...	Bei Grand Island, Neb.
112 Gretna, Nebr. ....	Auferstehungs* ..	Bei Papillion, Nebr.
28 Hanover, Kans. ....	Zion* . ....	Hanover, Kans.
29 Hartford, So. Dak. ...	Christus ....	Hartford, So. Dak.
30 Hastings, Neb. ....	St. Paulus* ....	Hastings, Neb.
31 Hastings, Neb. ....	St. Paulus* ....	Hastings, Neb. (Sued)
32 Hastings, Neb. ....	Immanuel* . ...	Bei Hastings, Neb.
33 Havelock, Neb. ....	Zoar* . ....	Havelock, Neb.
34 Hildreth, Neb. ....	St. Petrus ....	Hildreth, Neb.
35 Home, Kans. ....	Friedens . ....	Home, Kans.
36 Hooper, Neb. ....	Zion* . ....	Hooper, Neb.
37 Hooper, Neb. ....	St. Petrus* ....	Bei Hooper, Neb.
38 Howells, Neb. ....	a) Dreinigkeits* ..	Howells, Neb.
39 Howells, Neb. ....	b) Immanuel* . ...	Snyder, Neb.
40 Howells, Neb. ....	c) St. Petrus* ....	Bei Howells, Neb.
41 Johnson, Neb. ....	St. Matthäus ..	Johnson, Neb.
42 Kearney, Neb. ....	a) St. Paulus* ....	Kearney, Neb.
43 Kearney, Neb. ....	b) Christus* . ....	Riverdale, Neb.
44 Lancaster, Kans. ....	St. Pauls ....	Lancaster, Kans.
45 Lanham, Kans. ....	St. Johannes* ..	Lanham, Kans.
46 Leigh, Neb. ....	St. Petrus* ....	Bei Leigh, Neb.
47 Lincoln, Neb. ....	Friedens* . ....	Lincoln, Neb.
48 Lincoln, Neb. ....	St. Johannes* ...	Lincoln, Neb.
49 Linn, Kans. ....	St. Petrus* . ....	Linn, Kans.
50 Lipscomb, Tex. ....	St. Johannes* ..	Lipscomb, Tex.



# Verzeichniß der Synodal-Glieder.

Pastoren		Zeit der Ordination	Adresse	Delegaten
47	G. Wiencke .....	1907	Gr. Island, Neb., 214 W. 7. St..	.....3
48	Gust. Klatt* .....	1907	Ohlowa, Neb. ....	.....3
49	O. Hausmann .....	1907	Hildreth, Neb. ....	.....3
50	J. C. Fitting .....	1907	Spencer, S. Dak. ....	.....3
51	E. Spielmann .....	1908	Sugar City, Colo. ....	.....3
52	E. Wendt .....	1909	Scribner, Neb. ....	.....3
53	J. Schrader .....	1909	Hooper, Neb. ....	Gerhard Hilgen.
54	Geo. Juettner .....	1909	Rocky Ford, Colo. ....	.....3
55	R. Moehring* .....	1910	Otoe, Neb. ....	.....3
56	C. Rautenstrauss* .....	1910	Gothenburg, Neb. ....	.....3
57	J. A. Bahnson .....	1910	Ohlowa, Neb. ....	.....3
58	J. Huebner .....	1910	Hastings, Neb. ....	Karl Kauf* .....
59	K. Vordemann .....	1910	Campbell, Neb. ....	.....3
60	P. Waldschmitt .....	1911	Pender, Neb. ....	.....3
61	H. A. Teckhaus .....	1911	Wayne, Neb. ....	.....3
62	H. Welchert .....	1912	Columbus, Neb., R. 1. ....	Adolf Korte .....
63	G. Gersib .....	1912	Emerald, Neb. ....	.....3
64	W. Lobsien .....	1913	Diller, Neb. ....	.....3
65	Fred Loeffler* .....	1913	Lipscomb, Tex. ....	.....3
66	P. Spehr .....	1913	Platte Center, Neb. ....	.....3
67	R. Kunzendorf .....	1913	Hooper, Neb. ....	Wilhelm Feye .....
68	F. Podzus .....	1913	Russel, Kans. ....	.....3
69	H. O. Rohde .....	1914	Cedar Creek, Neb. ....	.....3
70	W. Krauleidis* .....	1916	Perry, Okla. ....	.....3
71	M. A. Ritzon .....	1916	Falls City, Neb. ....	.....3
72	A. Heinz .....	1916	Papillion, Neb. ....	.....3
73	M. Schroeder .....	1917	Leigh, Neb. ....	M. Jenny .....
74	F. Nolte .....	1917	Westboro, Mo. ....	Wm. Laumann .....
75	V. Pietzko .....	1917	Wisner, Neb. ....	.....3
76	E. Hansen .....	1919	Norfolk, Neb. ....	.....3
77	Gust. Duehrkop .....	1919	Diller, Neb. ....	.....3
78	A. Lentz .....	1919	Lanham, Kans. ....	.....3
79	H. J. Dieckhoff .....	1919	Princeton, Neb. ....	.....3
80	W. Koester* .....	1919	Emerson, Neb. ....	.....3
81	A. A. Urban* .....	1921	Larslan, Mont. ....	.....3
82	H. Goede .....	1922	Doniphan, Neb. ....	.....3
83	H. J. Hinrichs .....	1923	Linn, Kans. ....	.....3

ANMERKUNG: †—Abwesend. \*—Abwesend und beschuldigt.

## Verzeichniß der Gemeinden.

Parochie	Gemeinde	Ort
103 Wayne, Neb. ....	Deutsche Ev. ...	Wayne, Neb.
104 Wayne, Neb. ....	Dreieinigkeit ...	Winside, Neb.
105 Westboro, Mo. ....	St. Johannes ...	Westboro, Mo.
106 Weyerts, Neb. ....	a) St. Johannes* ..	Weyerts, Neb.
107 Weyerts, Neb. ....	b) Immanuel* . ...	Lodgepole, Neb.
108 Wisner, Neb. ....	a) Christus . ....	Wisner, Neb.
109 Wisner, Neb. ....	b) St. Paulus* ....	Cuming, Neb.
110 Wisner, Neb. ....	c) St. Petrus ....	Pilger, Neb.
111 Yutan, Neb. ....	St. Johannes* ..	Yutan, Neb.

ANMERKUNG: Die mit einem \* versehenen Gemeinden sind  
gliedlich mit der Deutschen Nebraska-Synode verbunden.

# Verzeichniß der Gemeinden.

Parochie	Gemeinde	Ort
51 Lipscomb, Tex. ....	Friedens* . ....	Kiowa, Tex.
52 Madison, Neb. ....	Immanuel* . ....	Madison, Neb.
53 Norfolk, Neb. ....	a) St. Johannes* ..	Norfolk, Neb.
54 Norfolk, Neb. ....	b) St. Lucas . ....	Stanton, Neb.
55 Northboro, Ia. ....	St. Paulus . ....	Northboro, Iowa.
56 Ohlawa, Neb. ....	a) St. Johannes* ..	Bei Ohlawa, Neb.
57 Ohlawa, Neb. ....	b) St. Johannes* ..	Bei Grafton, Neb.
58 Ohlawa, Neb. ....	St. Johannes* ..	Ohlawa, Neb.
59 Otoe, Neb. ....	a) St. Johannes* ..	Otoe, Neb.
60 Otoe, Neb. ....	b) St. Lucas* . ....	Bei Otoe, Neb.
61 Papillion, Neb. ....	Friedens* . ....	Papillion, Neb.
62 Pender, Neb. ....	St. Petrus* . ....	Bei Pender, Neb.
63 Pender, Neb. ....	St. Marcus . ....	Pender, Neb.
64 Perry, Okla. ....	a) Zion . ....	Bei Perry, Okla.
65 Perry, Okla. ....	b) Friedens* . ....	Stillwater, Okla.
66 Perry, Okla. ....	c) Immanuel . ....	Garber, Okla.
67 Pierce, Neb. ....	a) Christus* . ....	Pierce, Neb.
68 Pierce, Neb. ....	b) St. Paulus* . ....	Orchard, Neb.
69 Platte Center, Neb. ....	Zion* . ....	Platte Center, Neb.
70 Ponca, Neb. ....	a) Salem . ....	Ponca, Neb.
71 Ponca, Neb. ....	b) St. Johannes* ..	Bei Dakota City, Neb.
72 Ponca, Neb. ....	c) St. Johannes* ..	West Creek, Neb.
73 Princeton, Neb. ....	St. Paulus . ....	Bei Princeton, Neb.
74 Ridgely, Neb. ....	a) St. Johannes* ..	Ridgely, Neb.
75 Ridgely, Neb. ....	b) St. Matthäus* ..	Pleasant Valley, Neb.
76 Ridgely, Neb. ....	c) Dreieinigkeit ...	Pebble Creek, Neb.
77 Rockport, Mo. ....	a) Erste Luth. ....	Rockport, Mo.
78 Rockport, Mo. ....	b) St. Petrus . ....	Langdon, Mo.
79 Rocky Ford, Colo. ..	St. Paulus* . ....	Rocky Ford, Colo.
80 Russel, Kans. ....	St. Johannes* ..	Russel, Kans.
81 Russel, Kans. ....	Erloeser* . ....	Oakley, Kans.
82 Russel, Kans. ....	St. Paulus* . ....	Bei Russel, Kans.
83 Russel, Kans. ....	Dreieinigkeit ...	Bei Russel, Kans.
84 Russel, Kans. ....	Friedens . ....	Bei Russel, Kans.
85 Salem, So. Dak. ....	Christus* . ....	Salem, So. Dak.
86 Schuyler, Neb. ....	St. Johannes . ....	Schuyler, Neb.
87 Scribner, Neb. ....	St. Johannes . ....	Bei Scribner, Neb.
88 Shattuck, Okla. ....	a) Christus* . ....	Bei Shattock, Okla.
89 Shattuck, Okla. ....	b) St. Paulus . ....	Tollet, Texas.
90 Spencer, So. Dak. ....	St. Matthäus* ..	Spencer, So. Dak.
91 Sterling, Neb. ....	St. Johannes . ....	Bei Sterling, Neb.
92 Sugar City, Colo. ....	a) St. Petrus* . ....	Sugar City, Colo.
93 Sugar City, Colo. ....	b) St. Paulus . ....	Kendrick, Colo.
94 Sugar City, Colo. ....	c) St. Matthäus . ....	Kendrick, Colo.
95 Surprise, Neb. ....	St. Petrus* . ....	Surprise, Neb.
96 Sutton, Neb. ....	Zion* . ....	Sutton, Neb.
97 Syracuse, Neb. ....	Erste Ev. Luth.* ..	Syracuse, Neb.
98 Tea, So. Dak. ....	a) Dreieinigkeit* ..	Tea, So. Dak.
99 Tea, So. Dak. ....	b) Immanuel . ....	Lennox, So. Dak.
100 Tea, So. Dak. ....	c) St. Johannes* ..	Harrisburg, So. Dak.
101 Uehling, Neb. ....	St. Paulus* . ....	Uehling, Neb.
102 Wakeeny, Kans. ....	Zion* . ....	Wakeeny, Kans.



gegenüber, sondern jeder einzelne persönlich, einerlei ob berufener Diener am göttlichen Wort oder Laie, ob Mann oder Weib, ob jung oder alt. Der einzelne hat sich mit seiner ganzen Persönlichkeit in die Arbeit zu stellen, nicht aus Ehrgeiz, sondern aus Liebe zu Ihm, von dessen Liebe das Herz des einzelnen völlig durchdrungen sein muß. Der Christ kann und darf sich den weltbewegenden Fragen nicht verschließen und hat sich zu fragen: was kann ich an meinem Teile tun, um diese Fragen lösen zu helfen? Beim Hinblick auf den kleinen Wirkungskreis, in dem er steht, möchte er vielleicht sagen: ich vermag wenig, ja so gut wie nichts zum Wohle der Menschheit zu tun.

Aber, meine Freunde, mag unser Wirkungskreis noch so klein und noch so eng begrenzt sein, so wollen wir doch versuchen, auch im kleinsten treu zu sein. Treue im kleinen ist groß vor Gott. Er, der allzeit, Getreue, erwartet solche Treue von Seinen Kindern und Er reicht auch die Mittel dar, die zur Erweisung solcher Treue nötig sind. Herr, erhalte uns Dein Wort und Deine Sakramente, laß einen jeglichen in rechter Gebetsgemeinschaft mit Dir bleiben, schenke uns allen Deinen heiligen Geist, daß wir auf dieser Versammlung und im neuen Synodaljahr, ein jeglicher an seinem Platz und in seinem Beruf solche Werke vollbringen, die Segen stiften, der da reicht bis in Ewigkeit!

Uns, o Vater, lehrest du,  
Was wir tun und glauben sollen;  
Schenk uns deine Kraft dazu,  
Gib zum Wissen auch das Wollen,  
Und zum Wollen das Vollbringen,  
So wird alles wohl gelingen.

Hiermit unterbreite ich der Ehrwürdigen Synode folgenden Bericht:

#### Aufnahme von Pastoren.

Pastor F. Albin Heinz erhielt von unserer Friedensgemeinde in Papillion, Nebr., am 1. Oktober, 1922 eine Berufung, nahm diese mit meiner Zustimmung an, sandte eine ehrenvolle Entlassung von der Kansas Synode ein und ist seit dem 4. Januar wieder Glied unserer Synode.

Pastor A. A. Urban in Varolan, Montana, wurde am 20. März, 1923, auf Grund des letztjährigen Synodalbeschlusses von mir provisorisch in unsere Synode aufgenommen.

Auf besondere Fürbitte der Kansas Konferenz wurde Pastor F. Loeffler von mir an eine unserer Gemeinden empfohlen und zwar nach Lipscomb, Texas. Am 11. August erhielt er seine ehrenvolle Entlassung aus der Kansas Synode. Sein Name wurde unserer Synodalliste hinzugefügt.

## **Vierunddreizigste Jahresversammlung**

**der Deutschen Ev.-Luth. Synode von Nebraska.**

Die 34. Jahresversammlung der Synode wurde eröffnet am Mittwoch, den 26. September, 1923, vormittags um 10 Uhr in der St. Johannes-Kirche bei Columbus, Nebr.; Ortspastor S. Belchert.

Präsident G. S. Michelmann hielt die Eröffnungspredigt über Jer. 3, 15.

Der Ortspastor S. Belchert versah den Altar Gottesdienst.

**Erste Sitzung. Mittwoch Nachmittag.**

Eröffnet mit Gebet von Präsident Michelmann.

Die Namenliste wird vorgelesen und die Gemeinde Delegaten reichen ihre Beglaubigungsschreiben ein.

Pastor Ludwig, Generalsekretär der Nordwestlichen Missionsbehörde, Dr. Miller, Sekretär vom Board of Ministerial Relief, Pastor Bielinski, Vertreter der Äußerer Missionsbehörde und Pastor F. Genjichen, Delegat der Ehrw. Wartburg Synode, werden als beratende Mitglieder aufgenommen.

Schwester Anne Marie Wansleben, Diakonissin aus Münster, Deutschland, wird als Gast aufgenommen.

Der Präsident verliest seinen Jahresbericht:

### **Jahresbericht des Präsidenten**

der Deutschen Evangelisch-Lutherischen Synode von Nebraska,  
überreicht in der Ev.-Luth. St. Johannes-Kirche bei Columbus, Nebraska, am 26. September, 1923.

Ehrwürdige Väter, lieber Brüder im Amt und Gemeindefürsprecher!

Wiederum liegt ein Synodaljahr hinter uns, und unsere Synode ist der freundlichen Einladung dieser Gemeinde gefolgt, um in ihrer Mitte ihre 34. Jahresversammlung abzuhalten. Immer näher rückt die Ewigkeit, und unsere Verantwortung, auch unsere synodale Verantwortung, unserm Gott gegenüber wird immer größer. Haben wir im vergangenen Jahre im Dienste unseres Heilandes getan, was wir konnten? Haben wir nicht unsere persönlichen Interessen über die Seiner Kirche gestellt? Haben wir die Zeit ausgekauft zur Verherrlichung Seines Namens und zum Heil der Seelen?

Im Reiche unseres Gottes ist es nicht genug, daß der einzelne nur ein Teil des ganzen ist, und daß er nur mit andern zusammen etwas zu leisten trachtet, sondern hier muß sich die Einzelpersönlichkeit, ganz erfüllt von dem Geiste des göttlichen Meisters, geltend machen, wie denn auch nicht nur die Gesamtheit verantwortlich ist Gott

foerdere das Werk unserer Haende bei uns; ja das Werk unserer Haende wolle er foerdern." Ps. 90; 17.

Gemaess der Synodalordnung unterbreite ich der Ehrw. Synode folgenden Bericht. Weil wir auf Beschluss zum ersten mal die jaehrliche Versammlung im Fruehjahr halten und das Synodaljahr mit dem Monat Januar beginnen soll, somit sollten sich die Berichte der Synodal beamten fuer diese Versammlung nur vom September 1928, bis zum 1sten Januar 1929 erstrecken. Fuer den Praesidial Bericht hielt ich es aber fuer noetig auch das neue Jahr bis zum 1 Juni mit ein zuziessen.

#### Aufnahme von Pastoren.

Waehrend der letzten Versammlung der Synode wurde dem Kandidaten der Theologie, A. Schneck die Berechtigung zur Ordination zu erkannt und seine gliedliche Aufnahme in die Synode durch die Ordination am 19. Sept. 1928 vollzogen.

#### Aufnahme von Gemeinden.

Am 3ten Juni sandte die Ev. Luth. St. Petri Gemeinde zu Pilger, Neb., ein Gesuch ein um Aufnahme in die Synode. Dem Gesuch ist ein Exemplar der Gemeinde Konstitution beigefuegt. Ich empfehle die Gemeinde zur Aufnahme in den Synodal-verband.

#### Entlassungen.

Pastor A. Schneck erhielt auf seinen Wunsch eine ehrenvolle Entlassung am 21 Mai 1929 an das Ev. Luth. Ministerium of Penna, and adjacent states. Die Ev. Luth. St. Paulus Gemeinde zu Burlington, Colo., erhielt am 13 Maerz 1929 eine Entlassung an die Rocky Mountain Synode. Am 9 April 1929 gab ich der Ev. Luth. Christus Gemeinde, Salem, S. D., eine Entlassung an die Synod of the Northwest.

#### Stellenwechsel und Einfuehrungen.

Pastor G. Bessler resignierte am 30ten Oktober an der St. Johannes Gemeinde (Shell Creek), Columbus, Nebr., und hielt am zweiten Sonntag im Maerz seine Abschiedspredigt. Pastor Bessler sah sich genoetigt, aus Gesundheits ruecksichten eine Zeitlang sich der Ruhe hinzugeben.

Am 21. Oktober wurde Pastor G. Klatt in der Parochie, Ponca, Dakota City, Nebr., durch die Pastoren H. Welchert und P. Waldschmidt in sein Amt eingefuehrt.

Am 25 November resignierte Pastor G. Gersib an der Ev. Luth. Zions Gemeinde, Emerald, Neb., und folgte einem Ruf von der Friendens Gemeinde zu Lipscomb, Texas. Er uebernahm die Arbeit daselbst anfangs Dezember und wurde am 27 Januar durch Pastor Walter, D. D., eingefuehrt.

Am 6ten Januar legte Pastor F. Bahr, D. D., sein Amt an der St. Johannes Gemeinde zu Russel, Kans., nieder und folgte einem an ihn ergangenen Ruf von der St. Paulus Gemeinde in Rocky Ford, Colo. Die Einfuehrung fand statt am 5 Mai durch Pastor Walter, D. D.

Anfangs Januar resignierte Pastor A. Schneck an der St. Paulus Gemeinde sued Hastings.

Pastor K. Koenig erhielt am 3 Februar einen Ruf von der Christus Gemeinde zu Wisner, Neb., und nahm denselben an. Er wurde am 17 Maerz durch Pastor H. A. Teckhaus eingefuehrt.



# **Verhandlungen der 40. Jahresversammlung der Deutschen Evangelisch Lutherischen Synode von Nebraska**

Die Jahresversammlung der Synode wurde am Mittwoch den 12. Juni, abends  $\frac{1}{2}$  8 Uhr in der Trinitatis Kirche zu Columbus, Nebr. Ehrwuerden F. Albin Heinz, Pastor loci, mit einem Gottesdienst eroeffnet. Praeses Pastor F. C. Schuldt, Hastings, Nebr., hielt die Predigt ueber Philipper 3,13-14. Pastor H. A. Teckhaus, Sekretaer der Synode leitete den Altardienst.

## **1. SITZUNG (Donnerstag-Morgen, den 13. Juni 1929).**

Morgenandacht: Pastor C. G. Wagner, Kaplan der Synode.

Eroeffnung mit Gebet von Pastor W. Fricke. Die Namenliste wurde verlesen.

Von 82 Pastoren waren 51 anwesend.

Die Laiendelegaten reichten ihre Beglaubigungsschreiben ein und wurden als stimmberechtigte Glieder aufgenommen.

Herr Carl Rhode, der President der Trinitatis-Gemeinde, heisst die Synodalen, im Namen der Gemeinde herzlich willkommen. Der Vorsitzende dankt fuer die freundlichen Worte.

## **JAHRESBERICHT DES PRESIDENTEN DER DEUTSCHEN EV. LUTH. SYNODE VON NEBRASKA.**

"Die Sach' ist Dein, Herr Jesu Christ, Die Sach', an der wir steh'n, Und weil es Deine Sache ist, kann sie nicht untergeh'n." Es ist die heilige Sache der christlichen Kirche, die hier in betracht kommt, von der unser Heiland spricht, dass selbst die Pforten der Hoelle sie nicht ueberwaeltigen sollen.

Es ist ein grosser Trost zu wissen, dass unsere Arbeit im Herrn nicht vergeblich ist. Wo die Verhaeltnisse oft recht traurig stehn, darf der Diener am Wort doch siegesgewiss bleiben. Auch ist es ein grosser Trost fuer uns, dass wir nicht auf unsere Kraft angewiesen sein sollen des Herrn Werk zu treiben, sondern der Herr will uns mit Kraft aus der Hoehe durch den Heiligen Geist ausruesten. Traurigen Herzens muessen wir oft bekennen, das wir uns zu viel auf eigene Kraft, auf Menschen und irdische Mittel verlassen haben.

Die Erfahrung senkt immer tiefer in unser Herz und Empfinden hinein die Worte des Herrn wenn er spricht: "Ohne mich koennt ihr nichts tun."

Bei dem Herrn mangelt es nie an Kraft und Gnade. Aus seiner Fuehle duerfen und sollen wir unaufhoerlich schoepfen. Wir danken Ihm fuer alle Gnade und Treue. Getrost und voller Zuversicht harren wir des Herrn. Und der Herr unser Gott sei uns freundlich, und

RESOLVED, That the Nussbaum legacy be divided, according to the wishes of the deceased, in the following manner:

\$1200 to his sisters and relatives.

200 to Pastor Michelmann.

300 to Tabitha Home.

1051.73 to the Synod.

RESOLVED, That Synod express its appreciation and thanks to Pastor R. C. Schuldt, for his good services and his faithful administration of the Nussbaum Estate, by a rising Vote of Thanks.

### C. RECOMMENDATIONS

The Executive Board submits the following Recommendations:

(I\*\*) We recommend that Synod cancel a promissory note given by Pastor R. Kunzendorf, in view of his death and of the nature of the note.

(II\*\*) We recommend, That Synod accept the offer of a 320 acre farm in Cheyenne Co., Nebraska, mediated by Pastor J. Bahnsen, with thanks.

(cf. Supplementary Report in Bulletin p. 30. By direction of Synod this is not printed. For action see pp. 61).

(III) We recommend, that the work in Martin Luther Seminary be suspended for another year.

(IV) We recommend to Synod, that the Secretary be instructed to set up a questionnaire, to be sent out to ministers together with program for Synod, containing space for names and addresses of officers of congregation and of congregational auxiliaries; Secretary is to begin this year. Lists of names and addresses are to be sent or handed to Secretary before or during Synod. (For action and amendment cf. pp. 61).

(V) We recommend, that Synod appoint a Committee of Three to write a History of Synod for the 50th Anniversary Jubilee celebration of Synod; and that Pastor Duehrkop, in accordance with Resolution No. 13 (cf. Minutes 1937 p. 38) be a member of that committee. (For action and amendment cf. pp. 61).

(VI) We recommend that the following Budget be adopted:

Synodical Treasury -----	\$2,000.
Synod. Missions Relief -----	900.
Synodical American Missions -----	500.
Beneficiary Education -----	350.
Martin Luther Seminary Board -----	900.
Tabitha Home -----	1,200.
Midland College -----	300.
Board Missionary -----	600.

Total ----- \$6,750.

(VII) We recommend, that Synod petition the Executive Board of the U. L. C. A. to approve a new item in the Synodical Budget for the support

U. L. C. A. to approve the increase in the Synodical budget by the amount proposed in the petition to the Board of American Missions and that if such approval be given, the support of our Synod shall be paid direct to the Board of American Missions in monthly installments" (Sept. 14, 1937);

That, with respect to recommendation No. 1, of the Board of American Missions, the Secretary was instructed to formulate an answer to Dr. Corbe, Executive Secretary of the Board, requesting further information on various items and aspects (Aug. 30, 1937).

That, after due consideration of the replies of Dr. Corbe, Executive Board of American Missions, the Synodical Executive Board on its meeting on Sept. 8, 1937,

RESOLVED, That, we agree to substitute for the election of Dr. Schroeder, the calling of Rev. Dr. Martin Schroeder by the Board of American Missions as Board Missionary."

That, Dr. Schroeder accepted the Call and began his work on March 1, 1938. At the last Executive Board meeting of our Synod on February 15, 1938, Pastor Schroeder declared that "as a Board Missionary he has been instructed to cooperate with our Synod or its Executive Board in accordance with the needs of our Midwest Mission fields."

(For detailed report see Supplementary Report pp. 30-35 in Bulletin—by direction of Synod this is not printed.)

## B. RESOLUTIONS

Attention is called to the following resolutions of the Executive Board:

(18\*\*) Resolved, that Pastor Heick be commissioned to preach the Ordination Sermon on Thursday evening.

(19\*\*) Resolved, That Pastor Wendt be commissioned to deliver, on Friday evening, a Memorial address for the deceased of our Synod; Pastors: Wm. Krauleidiis, E. von Nussbaum, R. Kunzendorf, H. W. Fricke; Pastors wives: The Mrs. Krauleidiis, Mikkelsen, Hopp, Fricke; Pastors children: son of Wm. Krauleidiis, child of R. Shipwright, and daughter of E. Walter.

(20\*\*) Resolved, That Pastor J. N. Marxen be commissioned to deliver, on Sunday afternoon, an address commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of Ordination of Pastor P. Bieger and the twenty-fifth Ordination anniversaries of the Pastors Podszus, Loeffler and Spehr.

(21) RESOLVED, to request our members on the Joint Missions Committee to renew preemption of territory (cf. Minutes 1937) Southwest in Nebraska, (West of Highway 21 and south of the Platte River) and if possible, to establish a general policy of preemption of new fields in accordance with congregational possession of surrounding territory.

(22\*\*) (The following was read into the record during Synod Session) That, the Executive Board in session on May 18th, 1938, adopted the following resolutions concerning the Division of the Nussbaum legacy:



## BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

(Appointed by the Executive Board and approved by Synod in accordance with Synodical Resolution .cf. Minutes -38 No. 9.)

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#### Trustees of Synod

The Officers of Synod.

#### Examining Committee and Committee on Ministry

The Pastors M. A. Jensen (40); O. W. Heick, Ph.D., Chairman (41); R. Shipwright, Secretary, (42); E. Wendt (42); A. S. Pannbacker (42).

#### Directors of Martin Luther Seminary

The Pastors J. Peil, Business Agent (40); C. Goldenstein (40); H. L. Lenser, Secretary (40); F. C. Schuldt, D.D. President (41); H. A. Biedenweg (41); V. Moeller (42); Hugo Welchert, Jr., Treasurer (42); Honorary Member: C. Goede, Sr.

#### Trustees of Tabitha Home

The Pastors A. Heinz (40); E. Thomas, Treasurer (41); J. A. Bahnsen (42).

#### Trustees of Midland College

The Pastors L. J. Wolff, S.T.M. (40); H. T. Monnich (41); G. K. Wiencke, Jr. S.T.M. (42); and the Messrs. Aug. Adam (40); Geo. Hilbers (41); John Havekost (42).

#### Synodical Board of American Missions

The Pastors F. W. Nolte, D.D., President of Synod, ex officio; Hugo Welchert, Sr., President (40); H. O. Rhode, Secretary (41); J. Schrader (42); and the Messrs. A. Niemoth (41); R. G. Jenny (42).

#### Directors of Lutheran Literary Board

The Pastors Herman Goede (40); E. Thomas (40); M. Koolen, D.D. (41); M. Schroeder, D.D. (42).

#### Joint Committee on Missions

(Appointed by the Synodical Committee of American Missions out of its own midst—cf. Resol. 55—Minutes 1939.)

The Pastors F. W. Nolte, D.D., H. O. Rhode, and Mr. R. G. Jenny

#### Committee on Social Missions

(Change of Name—cf. Resol. 55, Minutes 1939.)

The Pastors F. Podszus (40); P. Waldschmidt, President (41); P. Kuehner, Secretary (42).

#### Committee on Luther League Work

(Change of Name—cf. Resol. 66, Minutes 1939.)

The Pastors Hugo Welchert, Jr. (40); W. C. Churchill (41); F. Korbitz (42); and the President of the Synodical Luther League.

#### Committee on Sunday School Work and Synodical Directors of Religious Education

The Pastors C. H. Goede (40); J. Peil (41); R. Moehring (42).

## DIRECTORY OF SYNOD

1939-1940

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### Officers of Synod

- President—Rev. F. W. Nolte, D.D., Westboro, Missouri.  
Vice-President—Rev. J. N. Marxen, Columbus, Nebraska.  
Secretary—Rev. A. Lentz, Cedar Creek, Nebraska.  
Treasurer—Rev. G. K. Wiencke, Auburn, Nebraska.  
Statistician, Historian, Archivist, Necrologist—Rev. E. C. Hansen,  
Johnson, Nebraska.  
Senior Ministerii—Rev. Chr. Sick, D.D., 1149 North D. Str., Fremont,  
Nebraska.
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### MISSIONARY OF SYNOD TO JAPAN

- Miss Helen H. Harder, A.B., 337 Kamitera Machi, Haruyoshi, Fukuoka,  
Japan.
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### OFFICERS OF CONFERENCES

#### SOUTHERN CONFERENCE—

- President—Rev. H. Biedenweg, Glenvil, Nebraska.  
Secretary—Rev. Albin Heinz, Syracuse, Nebraska.  
Treasurer—Rev. Lorin Wolff, Diller, Nebraska.

#### NORTHERN CONFERENCE—

- President—Rev. J. N. Marxen, Columbus, Nebraska.  
Secretary—Rev. Herman Goede, 2010 Ninth Str., Columbus, Nebr.  
Treasurer—Rev. J. Bahnsen, Leigh, Nebraska.

#### KANSAS CONFERENCE—

- President—Rev. F. Podszus, Russell, Kansas.  
Secretary—Rev. P. Spehr, Hoisington, Kansas.  
Treasurer—Rev. K. Vordemann, Lipscomb, Texas.

**PROCEEDINGS**  
Of The  
**FIFTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
Of The  
**EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD**  
**IN THE MIDWEST**  
Of The  
**UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA**

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Midwest (formerly known as the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska) assembled on May 31, 1939, in the St. John's Lutheran Church, Russell, Kansas, Rev. Christian Rautenstrauss, pastor, for the opening worship of her fiftieth annual convention. The President of Synod, Pastor F. W. Nolte, D. D., delivered the sermon, based upon Psalm 102, 13-19. Theme: "Can we, will we, move forward in the same spirit?"

Subdivisions:

1. "What the servants of Zion desired and what we, too, desire;
2. What the servants of Zion prayed for and what we too, pray for;
3. What their consolation was, and what shall be our consolation, too.

Synod was opened by the president in accordance with the prescribed order. Liturgist: Pastor A. Lentz, Secretary of Synod.

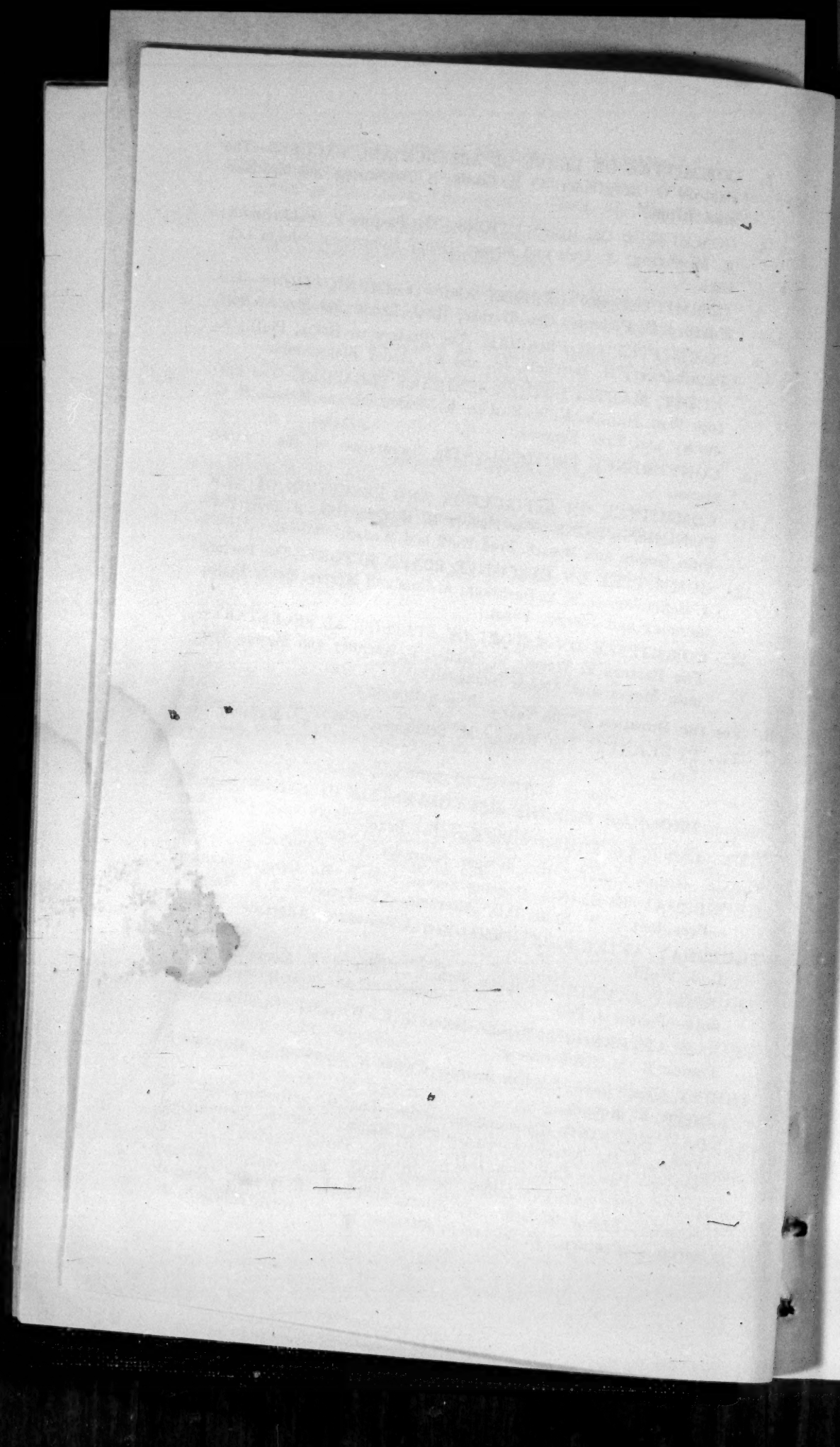
In connection with the Opening Worship the silver anniversary of ordination to the ministry of Pastor H. O. Rhode was fittingly observed by an address of Pastor J. Schrader and by the presentation of a certificate of recognition on the part of Synod by the Secretary.

**FIRST SESSION**

Thursday, Morning, June 1, 1939

8:30 - 9:00 A. M.—Devotions, conducted by the chaplain, Pastor P. O. Spehr.







# ROSTER OF CLERICS, DELEGATES AND CONGREGATIONS

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2 L. Geick* ..... 2626 So. Cornelia St., Sioux City, Iowa	1886	1898	.....	.....			
3 P. Bieger ..... Tea, So. Dakota	1888	1903	.....	Trinity .....	Tea, So. Dakota .....	*	1889
4 C. G. Wagner* ..... Lamar, Colorado	1890	1920	.....	St. Paul's .....	Lamar, Colorado .....	*	1925
5 Wm. Nitzschke* ..... 211 Bush St., Anaheim, California	1892	1892	.....	.....			
6 F. Rabe, D. D.* ..... 2908 So. 25th St. Lincoln, Nebraska	1892	1906	.....	St. Johannes ..... (supply)	Lincoln, Nebraska .....	*	1912
7 Wm. Harder* ..... Hanover, Kansas	1893	1894	.....	.....			
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